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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

The Honorable Jocelyn G. Boyd
Chief Clerk/Executive Director
Public Service Commission of South Carolina
101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100
Columbia, SC 29210

**Re: South Carolina Energy Freedom Act (House Bill 3659) Proceeding to Address S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-27-460(A)(1) and S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-27-460(A)(2) (Promulgation and Periodic Review of Standards for Interconnection and Parallel Operation of Generating Facilities to an Electrical Utility's Distribution and Transmission System)
Docket No. 2019-326-E**

Dear Ms. Boyd:

I am writing on behalf of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC ("DEC"); Duke Energy Progress, LLC ("DEP" and together with DEC, the "Duke Companies"); Dominion Energy South Carolina, Inc. ("DESC"); Carolinas Clean Energy Business Association ("CCEBA"); and Southern Current, LLC ("Southern Current"). DESC, the Duke Companies, CCEBA, and Southern Current are referred to collectively as the "Interested Parties." Pursuant to Order No. 2020-825 issued in this docket on December 16, 2020, the Interested Parties submit this progress report to the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the "Commission") on the status of stakeholder engagement under "Phase 2" of the interconnection reform process.

The Interested Parties reported on July 28, 2021, that the first stakeholder meeting occurred on July 22, 2021. Subsequent to the stakeholder meeting, the Duke Companies and DESC have continued to discuss proposed revisions to the South Carolina Generator Interconnection Procedures ("SC GIP") and have also received feedback from stakeholders in attendance at the initial meeting. Some stakeholders have provided comments on the proposed SC GIP revisions. The Duke Companies and DESC are currently reviewing those comments in advance of the next stakeholder meeting which is scheduled for October 5, 2021. The Interested Parties will update the

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Commission again on their progress in sixty days (no later than November 29, 2021, to accommodate the Thanksgiving Holiday) in compliance with Order No. 2020-825.

Sincerely,



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C: Parties of Record (via email)